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The Austrian reference 127,964 appears to disclose a device to hold documents with a hinged front member and rear member.

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The Italian reference 456,901 appears to disclose a device for holding documents.

Applicant submits that no representation is made, and no representation is intended, that more relevant material does not exist. The listing on the attached Form PTO-SB-08A is not intended to constitute an admission of any kind. Specifically, this presentation is not an admission that the items listed are properly citable against the above-identified application as prior art.

Applicant respectfully submits that this invention is patentable over the enclosed documents cited on Form PTO-SB-08A.

Respectfully submitted,



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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES NO
127,964	12/1931	Austria	281	29	X
456,901	4/1950	Italy	281	29	X
842,594	7/1960	United Kingdom	282	22R	
WO 89/01645	2/1989	WIPO	281	37	

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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